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KINSHAS FOR DEPUTY SECRETARY ROBINSON WITH SECRETARY'S PARTY

1. WHEN WITH PRIMIN MAMDUH SALEM TODAY, I ASKED IF HE HAD HAD ANY FURTHER THOUGHTS ON THE HIGH LEVEL EGYPTIAN APPROACH TO THE SHAH THAT WE HAD SUGGESTED.

2. SALEM SAID HE HAD DISCUSSED OUR SUGGESTION WITH SADAT IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE PRESIDENT'S RETURN FROM EUROPE. THE PRESIDENT HAD DECIDED THAT, SINCE VP MUBARAK WAS GOING TO PRC, THE VP MIGHT STOP IN TEHRAN ON HIS WAY BACK TO RAISE THE MATTER WITH THE SHAH. MUBARAK, WHO WAS PRESENT AT THE CONVERSATION, HAD BEEN TOLD EXACTLY WHAT HE SHOULD SAY TO THE SHAH ABOUT GOE'S CONTINUING NEED FOR IRANIAN ASSISTANCE, EITHER IN THE FORM OF FURTHER CASH GRANTS OR IRANIAN BANK GUARANTEE FOR A COMMERCIAL LOAN. PRIMIN NOTED MUBARAK IS DUE IN TEHRAN TODAY AND IS SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH SHAH TOMORROW MORNING.

3. PRIMIN SAID HE WILL LET US KNOW SHAH'S REACTION TO MUBARAK'S APPRAOCH AS SOON AS HE GETS A REPORT. HE HOPED
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WE MIGHT THEN MAKEA SUPPORTIVE APPROACH TO THE SHAH

STRESSING THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO FUTURE IRANIAN AID
TO EGYPT.

4. PRIMIN EXPRESSED DEEP APPRECIATION FOR OUR INTEREST AND
HELP. HE WAS PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL FOR DEPUTY SECRETARY
ROBINSON'S UNTIRING EFFORTS ON GOE'S BEHALF.
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